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COMMEMORATION OF THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY
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Draft table for time-scheduling implications for the Special Commemorative Meeting of the General Assembly on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of the entry into force of the Charter of the United Nations, to be held at United Nations Headquarters from 22 to 24 October 1995

1. ASSUMPTIONS AND METHOD OF CALCULATION

(a) Approximate number of speakers: 190;

(b) A regular standard session is of three hours' duration (i.e., 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. or 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.);

(c) No special account has as yet been taken of arrival and departure durations that might be required each day in and out of United Nations premises;

(d) Maximum time for preparation of each speaker (i.e. from the time at the end of the preceding speaker to the time the succeeding speaker starts speaking) will be one minute as per suggestion of the Bureau of the Preparatory Committee at its meeting held on 1 February 1995;

(e) The commemorative meeting is to be held from Sunday, 22 October to Tuesday, 24 October 1995, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 215 B of 26 May 1994;

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(f) Given the NAM summit meeting in Colombia and necessary arrival/settling arrangements in New York, the first likely possible starting session would be 3 p.m. on Sunday, 22 October 1995.

II. TABLE

Options	Speaking minutes	Interim time per speaker	Total time per speaker	Total number of hours	Total number of sessions
Option A	5	1	6	19.0	6.3
Option B	6	1	7	22.2	7.4
Option C	7	1	8	25.3	8.4

III. IMPLICATIONS OF EACH OF THE OPTIONS IN II ABOVE, GIVEN THE ASSUMPTIONS MADE IN I ABOVE

A. Option A for 18 hours of speaking time means one or other of the following:

- Starting the first session on Sunday, 22 October at 3 p.m. and ending on Wednesday, 25 October at 1 p.m.;

or

- Starting the first session on Sunday, 22 October at 3 p.m. and ending on Tuesday, 24 October at 7 p.m., with each afternoon session on Sunday, 22 October and Monday, 23 October, respectively, also ending at 7 p.m.;

and

- Any additional time required (such as a 19th hour, time delays and additional speakers, if any) would have to be through either extension for a further additional period of up to one more session or through earlier starts or yet later finishes each day, that is adding a further extra hour or hour and a half per day.

B. Option B for 21 hours of speaking time means one or other of the following:

- Starting the first session on Sunday, 22 October at 3 p.m. and ending on Wednesday, 25 October at 6 p.m.;

or

- Starting the first session on Sunday, 22 October at 3 p.m. and ending on Wednesday, 25 October at 1 p.m., with each afternoon session on Sunday, 22 October, Monday, 23 October, and Tuesday, 24 October, respectively, also ending at 7 p.m.;

or

- Starting the first session on Sunday, 22 October at 3 p.m. and ending on Tuesday, 24 October at 8 p.m., with each afternoon session on Sunday, 22 October and Monday, 23 October, respectively, also ending at 8 p.m. or alternatively some combination of even earlier starts and later finishes;

and

- Any additional time required (such as a 22nd hour, time delays and additional speakers, if any) would have to be through either extension for a further additional period up to one more session or through yet earlier starts or later finishes each day, that is, adding a further extra hour per day.

C. Option C for 24 hours of speaking time means one or other of the following:

- Starting the first session on Sunday, 22 October at 3 p.m. and ending on Thursday, 26 October at 1 p.m.;

or

- Starting the first session on Sunday, 22 October at 3 p.m. and ending on Wednesday, 25 October at 6 p.m., with each afternoon session on Sunday, 22 October, Monday, 23 October, and Tuesday, 24 October, respectively, also ending at 7 p.m.;

or

- Starting the first session on Sunday, 22 October at 3 p.m. and ending on Wednesday, 25 October at 1 p.m., with each afternoon session on Sunday, 22 October, Monday, 23 October, and Tuesday, 24 October, respectively, also ending at 8 p.m. or alternatively some combination of even earlier starts and later finishes;

and

- Any additional time required (such as a 25th hour, time delays and additional speakers, if any) would have to be either through extension for a further additional period up to one more session or through yet earlier starts or later finishes each day, that is, adding a further extra hour or hour and a half per day.